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ACCORDING TO QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR ALGERIAN AFFAIRS PAOLI, FRENCH EMBASSY ALGIERS HAS BEEN TOLD BY GOA THAT PRINCIPAL SUBJECT DISCUSSED BETWEEN BENHIMA AND GOA WAS LIBYAN AID TO MOROCCAN OPPOSITION. ACCORDING TO PAOLI, BENHIMA TOLD ALGERIANS OF LIBYAN INVOLVEMENT IN KHENIFRA AFFAIR AND ASKED THAT ALGERIANS TAKE MORE EFFECTIVE STEPS TO STOP LIBYAN INFILTRATION. PAOLI SAID THAT ALGERIANS ALREADY DOING WHAT THEY COULD, AND LAST SUMMER HAD INTERCEPTED PORTION OF MAJOR SHIPMENT OF ARMS DESTINED FOR MOROCCO, SUBSEQUENTLY, THEY HAD TURNED DOWN OFFICIAL LIBYAN REQUESTS FOR TRANSIT OF GOODS ABOUT WHICH LIBYAN REFUSED TO GIVE DETAILS. PAOLI SAID THAT ACCORDING TO FRENCH INTELLIGENCE, LIBYANS HAVE RECRUITED NUMBER OF MOROCCAN WORKERS AND STUDENTS WHO HAD BEEN LIVING IN LIBYA SINCE BEFORE OVERTHROW OF LIBYAN MONARCHY AND WERE USING THEM AS PART OF EFFORT TO UNDERMINE MOROCCAN MONARCHY. PAOLI SAID HE THOUGHT ALGERIANS WOULD, IN FACT, STEP UP EFFORTS TO PREVENT

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INFILTRATION AS IT WAS THEIR CLEAR DESIRE TO PREVENT CREATION OF UNSTABLE CONDITIONS IN MOROCCO. ECHOING VIEWS EXPRESSED BY QUAI DEPUTY DIRECTOR, MORROCAN AFFAIRS DE WARREN (REF B), PAOLI SAID THAT WHILE ON IDEOLOGICAL GROUNDS THERE WAS LITTLE SYMPATHY BETWEEN TWO REGIMES, GOA BELIEVED THAT OTHER ALTERNATIVES, I. E. LEFTIST REGIME OF POLITICANS OR RIGHTIST MILITARY REGIME WOULD NOT BE IN ALGERIAN INTEREST. IN EITHER CASE, SUCCESSOR REGIME LIKELY TO SEEK MODIFICATION OF EXISTING ALGERIAN- MOROCCAN BORDER, WHICH PRESENTLY FAVORABLE TO ALGERIA. PAOLI CITED LONG- STANDING ISTIQLAL DEMANDS FOR REVISION OF FRONTIER AGREEMENT AS EVIDENCE OF MOROCCAN INTEREST IN BORDER REVISION. GDS
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